



## COMMUNITY

*Sharing our hearts and lives with each other so we become good friends who enjoy and support one another in all aspects of life.*

**FIRST TIME!** When was the last time you did something for the first time? What was it?

**SPIRITUAL NEED!** Who did God use to bring you to the point where you knew you needed a personal relationship with Jesus Christ? How did that happen?

## DISCIPLESHIP

*Becoming more like Jesus in our character and skilled at doing life as He did. Helping others come to Jesus, follow Jesus and lead others to follow Jesus also.*

### Disciple-Maker's Character

**Humility: ability to see yourself from Jesus' perspective & submit yourself to Him**

Read 1 Peter 5:1-11

-What does this passage teach about the importance of humility?

-Describe humility in your own words. What are the key aspects to humility?

### Disciple-Maker's Life Skills

**Applying Scripture with the Spirit's help to overcome temptations**

Read Luke 4:1-14; 1 Corinthians 10:13

-Share a recent time you used Scripture to overcome a temptation you were facing.

### Accountability & Prayer Break into smaller groups (men & women)

*Creating a safe environment to be vulnerable, honest & accountable to each other.*

-Share how you are doing with your responsibilities (personally, home, work).

-Share one thing you would like the group to pray for you this week.

-Pray for each other.

## MISSIONAL LIVING

*Encouraging each other to serve people inside and outside the walls of Rockpoint.*

**Living as Fishers of Men:** Share who you are praying for where you live, work & play that our Father would bring to personally trust Jesus to save and change their lives.

**Rockpoint Missionary:** Pray for your Rockpoint missionary.

## **Sermon Discussion** *Use the following application questions from the sermon.*

**Big Idea:** John answers two eternally important questions: Who is Jesus Christ? And What is my response to Him? **Read John 1:1-5**

### **Who is Jesus Christ?**

**Jesus is God (1:1-2) Read Hebrews 1:1-4**

- What do you think is the significance that Jesus is referred to as the Word?
- What does it mean that as the Word, Jesus was both WITH God and WAS God?
- What is the significance that Jesus was 'in the beginning with God'?
- Jesus is of the same essence/being as God AND a distinct person as God's Son, both one and equal with God AND separate and unique. Why is this important?

**Jesus is The Creator (1:3) Read Colossians 1:15-20, 1 Corinthians 8:6**

- What are some differences between this truth and pantheism / New Age thinking?
- Differences between this truth and Mormons and Jehovah Witnesses?
- Why is it important to believe Jesus, with God the Father created ALL things?

**Jesus is the Life and Light for us (1:4-5) Read Isaiah 9:1-6**

- In what ways do life and light go together, especially in Jesus' Person and work?
- What is the significance Jesus is Life? Jesus is Light? Give a personal example.
- Why do you think John begins his Gospel by clearly stating JESUS IS GOD?

### **What is my response to Him?**

**Be assured of His infinite love for me.**

- Why did God the Father, Son, Spirit have Jesus be born as a human (3:16-18)?
- How real is Jesus' love for you right now in your heart? Explain. Feel loved or not?
- Why does Jesus want you to both 'know' with your mind and 'experience' with your heart that He deeply UNCONDITIONALLY loves you?

**Know that His work on my behalf is perfect and complete. Read Rom. 3:21-25**

- How does Jesus' Cross and resurrection from the dead prove His love for YOU?
- How can we know that our repenting of sin and trusting Jesus that He died for our sins and was physically raised to life is God's perfect way for us to be forgiven of all our sins and go to heaven with Him when we die? Explain.

**Follow Him with all my heart.**

- Why is daily following Jesus the 'proof' that we have actually repented of our sin and are trusting Jesus' death and resurrection as our only hope for eternal life?

**Jesus reveals who we are.**

- Who were you before you trusted Jesus? **See Eph. 2:1-3**
- Who are you now that you are trusting Jesus alone to save you? **See 2 Cor. 5:17**

**Jesus reveals who He is.**

- How well do you REALLY know (are experiencing) who Jesus is? Life example?

**Jesus reveals who we can become in Him.**

- In what ways is Jesus becoming more precious/essential in your daily life?